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ALLEN COUNTY FELON INDICTED FOR POSSESSING SHOTGUN

David L. Huber, United States Attorney for the Western District of Kentucky, announced today that a federal Grand Jury in Bowling Green **returned an Indictment** charging **ERIC DON HENSON**, age 47, of 1698 Osborne Road, Aldolphus, Kentucky, in Allen County, with possession of a firearm by a convicted felon.

The Indictment alleges that on or about May 4, 2006, in Allen County, Kentucky, in the Western District of Kentucky, **Henson** possessed a Stevens 12 gauge shotgun after having been previously convicted of a felony, criminal abuse in the first degree, in Allen Circuit Court, case number 93CR00008.

If convicted, the maximum potential penalties are ten years imprisonment, a \$250,000 fine, and supervised release for a period of three years.

This is a **Project Backfire** prosecution. **Project Backfire** is a partnership of state and federal law enforcement which targets violent offenders for prosecution to the fullest extent of state and federal law.

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The case is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Larry Fentress, and it was investigated by the Allen County Sheriff's Office and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives.

Henson is scheduled to appear for arraignment before the United States Magistrate Judge on September 20, 2006, at 9:30 a.m., in Bowling Green, Kentucky.

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The indictment of a person by a Grand Jury is an accusation only and that person is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty.

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